

## **Lady Saxons hold on to defeat Canisius**

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ALFRED The Alfred University women's lacrosse team survived a comeback bid by the Canisius College Golden Griffins to gain an 11-10 victory Thursday afternoon on Merrill Field. The Lady Saxons (7-7, 4-3 Empire 8) came out strong, amassing a 4-0 advantage over the first 10 minutes of play. By halftime, their lead had grown to 8-3. The Golden Griffins came out firing in the second half, however, cutting Alfred's lead to two goals with 15 minutes remaining. Canisius scored with just under one minute remaining come within one goal, but the Lady Saxons were able to run out the clock to secure the victory. Senior attack Sheilah Higgins (East Northport/Northport) led Alfred with three goals and two assists. Junior midfielder Katie Sedgwick (Manlius/Fayetteville-Manlius) and sophomore attack Chris Sanford (Bowdoinham, ME/Mt. Ararat) each had three goals. In goal, sophomore Jessica Dunster (Auburn/Auburn) went the distance for Alfred. She recorded 10 saves, including several tough stops on point-blank shots. For Canisius, junior Rachelle Held had a game-high four goals and added an assist. Senior Sarah Royer played the entire game in the nets, recording six saves. The Lady Saxons are next in action on Saturday, April 27 when they travel to Ohio Wesleyan for a 1 p.m. game.--30--